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CHORAL EVENSONG

Sunday 19 November 2017

The Twenty-Third Sunday after Trinity

ORGAN MUSIC BEFORE EVENSONG

Bernhard Marx St Blasien

Præludium in g, BuxWV 149 (Buxtehude)

Sei gegrüßet, Jesu gütig, BWV 768 (Bach)

Suite médiévale, Op. 56, (Langlais) iv Méditation

v Acclamations

Welcome to this service of Choral Evensong sung by The Choir of Trinity College Cambridge

Please ensure that all electronic devices, including cameras, are switched off

For those who wish to use them, copies of The New English Hymnal melody edition are available in the stalls The congregation stands when the choir and clergy enter the Chapel. The opening hymn will follow unannounced.

HYMN NEH 205

WESTMINSTER ABBEY

Words: c. 7th C. Latin, trans. John Mason Neale (1818–66) Music: adapted from Henry Purcell

The minister reads

Dearly beloved brethren, the Scripture moveth us in sundry places, to acknowledge and confess our manifold sins and wickedness; and that we should not dissemble nor cloak them before the face of Almighty God our heavenly Father; but confess them with an humble, lowly, penitent, and obedient heart; to the end that we may obtain forgiveness of the same, by his infinite goodness and mercy.

And although we ought, at all times, humbly to acknowledge our sins before God; yet ought we most chiefly so to do, when we assemble and meet together to render thanks for the great benefits that we have received at his hands, to set forth his most worthy praise, to hear his most holy Word, and to ask those things which are requisite and necessary, as well for the body as the soul.

Wherefore I pray and beseech you, as many as are here present, to accompany me with a pure heart, and humble voice, unto the throne of the heavenly grace, saying after me;

All say, kneeling

Almighty and most merciful Father; We have erred, and strayed from thy ways like lost sheep.

We have followed too much the devices and desires of our own hearts.
We have offended against thy holy laws.
We have left undone those things

which we ought to have done; and we have done those things

which we ought not to have done; and there is no health in us.

But thou, O Lord, have mercy upon us, miserable offenders.

Spare thou them, O God, which confess their faults.

Restore thou them that are penitent; according to thy promises declared unto mankind in Christ Jesu our Lord.

And grant, O most merciful Father, for his sake;

that we may hereafter live a godly, righteous, and sober life, to the glory of thy holy name.

Amen.

The minister then says the ABSOLUTION

Almighty God, the Father of our Lord Jesus Christ, who desireth not the death of a sinner, but rather that he may turn from his wickedness and live; and hath given power, and commandment to his Ministers, to declare and pronounce to his people, being penitent, the Absolution and Remission of their sins: He pardoneth and absolveth all them that truly repent, and unfeignedly believe his holy Gospel.

Wherefore let us beseech him to grant us true repentance, and his Holy Spirit, that those things may please him, which we do at this present; and that the rest of our life hereafter may be pure and holy; so that at the last we may come to his eternal joy; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

RESPONSES Smith

O Lord, open thou our lips.

And our mouth shall shew forth thy praise.

O God, make speed to save us.

O Lord, make haste to help us.

Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost;

As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

Praise ye the Lord.

The congregation sits for PSALM 100

- O be joyful in the Lord, all ye lands: serve the Lord with gladness, and come before his presence with a song.
- Be ye sure that the Lord he is God: it is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture.
- O go your way into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and speak good of his Name.
- For the Lord is gracious, his mercy is everlasting: and his truth endureth from generation to generation.
- Glory be to the Father, and to the Son : and to the Holy Ghost;
- As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be : world without end. Amen.

The FIRST LESSON is read

A reading from St Paul's First Epistle to the Thessalonians.

But of the times and the seasons, brethren, ye have no need that I write unto you. For yourselves know perfectly that the day of the Lord so cometh as a thief in the night. For when they shall say, Peace and safety; then sudden destruction cometh upon them, as travail upon a woman with child; and they shall not escape. But ye, brethren, are not in darkness, that that day should overtake you as a thief. Ye are all the children of light, and the children of the day: we are not of the night, nor of darkness. Therefore let us not sleep, as do others; but let us watch and be sober.

1 Thessalonians 5: 1-6

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Howells

My soul doth magnify the Lord, and my spirit hath rejoiced in God my Saviour. For he hath regarded the lowliness of his handmaiden. For behold, from henceforth all generations shall call me blessed. For he that is mighty hath magnified me: and holy is his Name. And his mercy is on them that fear him throughout all generations. He hath shewed strength with his arm; he hath scattered the proud in the imagination of their hearts. He hath put down the mighty from their seat, and hath exalted the humble and meek. He hath filled the hungry with good things; and the rich he hath sent empty away. He remembering his mercy hath holpen his servant Israel, as he promised to our forefathers, Abraham and his seed, for ever. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

All sit for the SECOND LESSON

A reading from the Gospel according to St Matthew.

For the kingdom of heaven is as a man travelling into a far country, who called his own servants, and delivered unto them his goods. And unto one he gave five talents, to another two, and to another one; to every man according to his several ability; and straightway took his journey. Then he that had received the five talents went and traded with the same, and made them other five talents. And likewise he that had received two, he also gained other two. But he that had received one went and digged in the earth, and hid his lord's money.

After a long time the lord of those servants cometh, and reckoneth with them. And so he that had received five talents came and brought other five talents, saying, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me five talents: behold, I have gained beside them five talents more. His lord said unto him, Well done, thou good and faithful servant: thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. He also that had received two talents came and said, Lord, thou deliveredst unto me two talents: behold, I have gained two other talents beside them. His lord said unto him, Well done, good and faithful servant; thou hast been faithful over a few things, I will make thee ruler over many things: enter thou into the joy of thy lord. Then he which had received the

one talent came and said, Lord, I knew thee that thou art an hard man, reaping where thou hast not sown, and gathering where thou hast not strawed: And I was afraid, and went and hid thy talent in the earth: lo, there thou hast that is thine. His lord answered and said unto him, Thou wicked and slothful servant, thou knewest that I reap where I sowed not, and gather where I have not strawed: Thou oughtest therefore to have put my money to the exchangers, and then at my coming I should have received mine own with usury. Take therefore the talent from him, and give it unto him which hath ten talents. For unto every one that hath shall be given, and he shall have abundance: but from him that hath not shall be taken away even that which he hath. And cast ye the unprofitable servant into outer darkness: there shall be weeping and gnashing of teeth.

Matthew 25: 14-30

All stand for the NUNC DIMITTIS

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Lord, now lettest thou thy servant depart in peace, according to thy word. For mine eyes have seen thy salvation, Which thou hast prepared before the face of all people; To be a light to lighten the Gentiles, and to be the glory of thy people Israel. Glory be to the Father, and to the Son: and to the Holy Ghost; As it was in the beginning, is now, and ever shall be: world without end. Amen.

All turn East and say THE APOSTLES' CREED

I believe in God the Father Almighty, maker of heaven and earth:

And in Jesus Christ his only Son our Lord, who was conceived by the Holy Ghost, born of the Virgin Mary, suffered under Pontius Pilate, was crucified, dead, and buried: he descended into hell; the third day he rose again from the dead; he ascended into heaven, and sitteth on the right hand of God the Father Almighty; from thence he shall come to judge the quick and the dead.

I believe in the Holy Ghost; the Holy Catholick Church; the Communion of Saints; the forgiveness of sins; the Resurrection of the body, and the life everlasting. Amen.

The Lord be with you. **And with thy spirit.**

Let us pray.

All kneel

Lord, have mercy upon us. Christ, have mercy upon us. Lord, have mercy upon us.

Our Father
which art in heaven,
hallowed be thy Name,
thy kingdom come, thy will be done,
in earth as it is in heaven.
Give us this day our daily bread;
and forgive us our trespasses,
as we forgive them that trespass against us;
and lead us not into temptation,
but deliver us from evil.
Amen.

RESPONSES

O Lord, shew thy mercy upon us. And grant us thy salvation.

O Lord, save the Queen.

And mercifully hear us when we call upon thee.

Endue thy ministers with righteousness. And make thy chosen people joyful.

O Lord, save thy people.

And bless thine inheritance.

Give peace in our time, O Lord. Because there is none other that fighteth for us, but only thou, O God.

O God, make clean our hearts within us. And take not thy Holy Spirit from us.

THE COLLECT OF THE DAY

O God, our refuge and strength, who art the author of all godliness; Be ready, we beseech thee, to hear the devout prayers of thy Church; and grant that those things which we ask faithfully we may obtain effectually; through Jesus Christ our Lord. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR PEACE

O God, from whom all holy desires, all good counsels, and all just works do proceed: Give unto thy servants that peace which the world cannot give; that both our hearts may be set to obey thy commandments, and also that by thee we being defended from the fear of our enemies may pass our time in rest and quietness; through the merits of Jesus Christ our Saviour. Amen.

THE COLLECT FOR AID AGAINST ALL PERILS

Lighten our darkness, we beseech thee, O Lord; and by thy great mercy defend us from all perils and dangers of this night; for the love of thy only Son, our Saviour, Jesus Christ. Amen.

All sit for the ANTHEM

This worldes joie (1922)

Wynter wakeneth al my care, Nou this leves waxeth bare; Ofte I sike ant mourne sare When hit cometh in my thoht Of this worldes joie, Hou hit goth al to noht.

Nou hit is, ant nou hit nys,
Al so hit ner nere, ywys.
That moni mon seith, soth hit ys:
Al goth bote Godes wille:
Alle we shule deye, thah us like ylle.

Al that gren me graueth grene Nou hit faleweth albydene: Jesu, help that hit be sene Ant shild us from helle! For y not whider y shal, Ne hou longe her duelle.

Winter wakens all my care, Now these leaves grow bare; Often I sigh and sorely mourn When this world's joy Comes into my thought, How it all comes to nought.

Now it is, and now it is not, As though it had never been, I believe. Many men say that it is true: Everything vanishes except God's will: We shall all die, though we like it ill.

Everything green grows green for me, Now it fades altogether: Jesus, help it to be seen And shield us from hell! For I know not whither I shall go, Nor how long I shall dwell here.

Words: Anonymous (c. 1300) Music: Arnold Bax (1883–1953)

THE ADDRESS

Remembering the Reformation *The Reformation and Christian Unity*

Monsignor Mark Langham Chaplain at Fisher House, University of Cambridge

All stand for the HYMN

NEH 272 ALL FOR JESUS

Words: William John Sparrow-Simpson (1859–1952) Music: John Stainer (1840–1901)

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THE BLESSING

All remain standing as the choir and clergy recess Please remain quiet until the end of the organ voluntary

VOLUNTARY

Meine Seele erhebet den Herrn, BWV 733 Bach

THIS EVENING'S MUSIC

This evening's setting of the Magnificat and Nunc dimittis was written by Herbert Howells, who composed them for performance by the choir of Gloucester Cathedral in 1946. Howells' interest in the English choral tradition could never be said to have been limited to just one era. Surely this breadth of influence is as evident in tonight's canticles as it could be in any of his others, whether in the pseudomonastic unison passage that begins the Magnificat, the quietly ruminative discourse of the Nunc dimittis, or in the astounding Gloria Patri that concludes each section. It is believed that this setting was the one with which the composer, a long-suffering perfectionist, was most pleased.

Arnold Bax is known primarily for his orchestral works, but also wrote a substantial number of choral pieces – mostly secular, but some religious. He was a nominal member of the Church of England, but in the view of the critic Paul Spicer, 'None of Bax's choral music can be described as devotional or even suitable for church use... Here is a secular composer writing voluptuous music'. Bax was a lover of poetry and a keen poet himself, writing under the pseudonym of Dermot O'Byrne. *This Worldes Joie* is a setting of a poem written in Middle English circa 1300, the author of which is unknown.

THIS TERM'S CHARITIES

On a site that was originally two derelict barns, **Emmaus Cambridge** now has a community of 34 companion bedrooms as well as a furniture emporium and café, helping those who find themselves homeless to regain their self-esteem by carrying out meaningful work and supporting those less fortunate than themselves. **www.emmaus.org.uk/cambridge**

Established in 2003, **Malaria Consortium** is one of the world's leading non-profit organisations specialising in the prevention, control and treatment of malaria and other communicable diseases among vulnerable populations in Africa and Asia. **www.malariaconsortium.org**

SPECIAL SERVICES THIS WEEK

Sunday 26 November

Advent Carol Service

Tickets will be sent out this week to all those who have applied. Doors open at 5.30 pm and seats will be reserved until 6.00 pm. Anyone without a ticket is invited to join the queue outside Great Gate on the night – as many as possible from this queue will be admitted to any empty seats from 6.00 pm. Doors close at 6.10 pm; late-comers will not be admitted until a suitable point in the service.

FORTHCOMING EVENTS

All members of the College community are welcome at the following events

Family Fun: Christmas Celebration Saturday 2 December • from 10.30 am

Join us for a fun morning of crafts and activities as we get ready for the festive season, finishing with lunch at noon. Kirsty (kr421)

Christmas Day Lunch • Monday 25 December

Join the Chaplains for lunch on Christmas Day at 12.00 noon. Places are limited, so please do RSVP early if you would like to join us. Kirsty (kr421)